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1. FLA DEMONSTRATION IN WASHINGTON: BANNER HEADLINE JULY 23
"O SEUCULO" READ: "NEARLY 1,000 AZOREANS RECEIVED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF KISSINGER." ARTICLE REPORTED THAT LUSO-AMERICAN
REPRESENTATIVES OF AZOREAN LIBERATION FRONT (FRENTE DE LIBERTACAO
DOS ACORES-FLA) AND "AZORES COMMITTEE-75" DEMONSTRATED IN
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WASHINGTON "SOME DAYS AGO" TO ALERT PUBLIC OF AZOREAN

INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT. GROUP OF 1,000 ALLEGEDLY RECEIVED BY UNNAMED KISSINGER REPRESENTATIVE AND LATER BY SENATOR PELL AFTER RALLY AT CAPITOL. ATTEMPTED MARCH ON PORTUGUESE EMBASSY REPORTEDLY THWARTED BY POLICE.

2. LEAD OF JULY 23 "DIARIO DE NOTICIAS" ARTICLE WAS "AZOREANS IN U.S. ASK KISSINGER REPRESENTATIVE FOR INDEPENDENCE." REPORT SUBSTANTIALLY SAME AS "O SECULO" COVERAGE AND BASED ON "PORTUGUESE TIMES" STORY WRITTEN BY RALLY ORGANIZER, FREDERICO PACHECO. FOUR OUT OF FIVE AFTERNOON PAPERS CARRIED IMPORTANT STORIES ON AZORES.

3. PCP/MDP/MES AZOREAN DELEGATION PROPOSES NAMES FOR JUNTA: BOTH ARTICLES INCLUDED REPORT THAT JOINT PCP/MDP/MES DELEGATION CAME TO LISBON TO SUBMIT CHOICES FOR NEW AZORES JUNTA DIRECTLY TO REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL (SEE REFTEL). DELEGATION PRESENTED NAMES DIRECTLY BECAUSE JUNTA HEAD, ALTINO DE MAGALHAES, APPROVED "REACTIONARY" DEMONSTRATION ON TERCEIRA LAST WEEK. PRESS FURTHER REPORTED PCP CHARGE THAT TERCEIRA AND OTHER ISLANDS BESEIGED BY "UNCONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BY SEPARATIST AND REACTIONARY FORCES."

4. COMMENT: LEFTIST-DOMINATED PAPERS ARE MAKING MAXIMUM PLAY ON ALLEGED U.S. INVOLVEMENT WITH AZOREAN SEPARATISTS. PRESS PLAY ON AZORES INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT HAD BEEN RELATIVELY RESTRAINED UNTIL NOW. WE ASSUME THIS CHANGE PLUS PRESSURE TACTICS ON JUNTA MEANS COMMUNISTS HAVE DECIDED INCLUDE AZORES IN THEIR CURRENT ANTI-U.S., ANTI-PS, AND ANTI-PPD OFFENSIVE.
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